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1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY
3 CAMDEN VICINAGE

4 IN RE: VALSARTAN, § MDL NO. 2875
5 LOSARTAN, AND §
6 IRBESARTAN PRODUCTS § HONORABLE ROBERT B.
7 LIABILITY LITIGATION § KUGLER
8 DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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10 ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF
11 JOHN QUICK
12 JANUARY 28, 2022

13 ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF JOHN QUICK,
14 produced as a witness at the instance of the Defendants
15 and duly sworn, was taken in the above styled and
16 numbered cause on January 28, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. to
17 12:09 p.m., before JANALYN ELKINS, CSR, in and for the
18 State of Texas, reported by computerized stenotype
19 machine, at the offices of Slack Davis Sanger, LLP, 6001
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21 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and any provisions
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1 (Witness previously sworn)

2 VIDEOGRAPHER: Here begins the continuation
3 of the deposition of John Quick. Today's date is
4 January 28, 2022. We are on the record at 8:12 a.m.

5 EXAMINATION

6 Q. (BY MR. GOLDBERG) Good morning, Mr. Quick.

7 A. Good morning.

8 Q. We're going to pick up with the questioning
9 regarding the ZHP portion of your report that we were
10 discussing yesterday. Just before we get started, we
11 sent your -- we sent plaintiff's counsel some documents
12 earlier this morning. Did you look at those documents?

13 A. I have not seen those documents.

14 Q. Okay. I want to ask you, in your report from
15 Pages 20 to 25, you've identified five areas that in
16 your opinion ZHP's CGMP's were deficient. Am I correct?

17 A. I'm not sure of five. Probably -- if you say
18 it's five, it probably is five. I didn't count the
19 number here.

20 Q. Well, if you just look at the headings there,
21 there are five headings. These are -- these are five
22 general areas.

23 A. Okay.

24 Q. So are these the five -- are these five
25 areas -- I guess are these five areas you are claiming

1 impurity that was detected in 2018, correct?

2 A. Well, I don't know, so I can't say correct
3 because I don't know. I'd have to go back and look at
4 the documents. Again, as I said I did not do an
5 exhaustive search of documents. My focus here was to
6 look at the specific examples of CGMP deficiencies that
7 apply to the class.

8 Q. Is it fair to say, sir, that if the root cause
9 assessment that Mylan conducted in 2018 is not listed on
10 Exhibit A to your report, then you didn't review it in
11 preparing your report, correct?

12 A. Well --

13 MR. DAVIS: Object to form.

14 You can answer.

15 THE WITNESS: So the documents that I
16 reviewed, again as I said, I didn't necessarily review
17 all documents. I only reviewed examples that I -- as I
18 said in my report, they were examples. It was not an
19 exhaustive report. It was not intended to be an
20 exhaustive report. If there were further work beyond
21 this on merits report, probably would get into that type
22 of thing.

23 Q. Sure. I understand that's your testimony. But
24 I also heard you testify yesterday that if it's not in
25 Exhibit A, I probably haven't reviewed it. Do you

1 it was not manufactured at that facility.

2 MR. DAVIS: Object to form.

3 THE WITNESS: So I'm saying the same thing
4 again is that if there's a CGMP deficiency in one
5 operation in one part of the facility or another
6 facility, it should be the responsibility of the
7 pharmaceutical manufacturer to ensure that those
8 deficiencies are corrected across the operations, all
9 the operations.

10 But that's not -- that's not really the
11 subject of my report. I didn't get into that kind of
12 detail. My point is my report identified examples of
13 CGMP deficiencies. There may be others and if I had
14 additional information at some point, we would review
15 that information in light of this. This is not a merits
16 report. It's -- it's an attempt to identify examples of
17 CGMP deficiencies.

18 Q. (BY MR. STOY) Sure. But just to be clear, the
19 document that you are relying on on this page of your
20 report in order to form your opinions is this Unit 7 EIR
21 document, right?

22 MR. DAVIS: Object to form.

23 Q. (BY MR. STOY) That's the one you're quoting,
24 right?

25 A. That's -- that is the one I'm referencing. If

1 nitrosamines varied among the manufacturers' products?

2 MR. DAVIS: Object to form.

3 THE WITNESS: There may have been some
4 variability, but that's not at all relevant to my report
5 relevant to the CGMP deficiencies.

6 Q. (BY MR. HUNCHUCK) Do you have an understanding
7 as to why there was variability in the nitrosamines?

8 A. I --

9 MR. DAVIS: Object to form. Objection,
10 outside the scope.

11 THE WITNESS: That's not an area I
12 reviewed. It was not part of the assignment relative to
13 this report relative to the CGMP deficiencies. We may
14 get into that later on if we go beyond this report to a
15 merits report. But that has not been the scope of this
16 report.

17 Q. (BY MR. HUNCHUCK) Do you know what
18 manufacturer of valsartan products inspected their
19 products for nitrosamines prior to 2018?

20 MR. DAVIS: Object -- sorry. No objection.

21 THE WITNESS: I missed the first part of
22 that.

23 MR. DAVIS: Can you repeat the question,
24 Steven?

25 Q. (BY MR. HUNCHUCK) Yes. Do you know which

1 were provided?

2 MR. DAVIS: Object to form. Same
3 instruction.

4 THE WITNESS: Well, my --

5 MR. DAVIS: You can answer.

6 THE WITNESS: Okay. So I -- the documents
7 that I relied on for my report are the documents that I
8 reviewed and are Exhibit A. That's -- those are the
9 documents I relied on for my report. So there may have
10 been other documents that I didn't rely on these for my
11 report.

12 Q. (BY MS. NAGLE) Okay. And I'm just trying to
13 understand why -- why you excluded these 34 documents is
14 all.

15 A. Well, okay. So I cannot answer that question
16 without actually looking at those documents. But I'll
17 go back to the comments I made before. My report only
18 list examples. So there may be other examples that
19 would be in these documents which might be in a report
20 later, a merits report or something beyond that. But
21 the documents that I relied on for my report are the
22 documents that are in Exhibit A. So I'm not sure
23 specifically why these additional documents were not
24 relied on other than the fact I didn't need them
25 relative to providing the examples that I have in my

1 report.

2 Q. Okay. So the additional documents found on --
3 on this Exhibit 33 do not serve as a basis for any of
4 the opinions contained in your report, correct?

5 MR. DAVIS: Object to form.

6 THE WITNESS: What I -- what I said was is
7 that the documents that I relied on for my report are
8 the ones that are Exhibit A.

9 Q. (BY MS. NAGLE) Okay. So you're not relying on
10 any of these additional documents found in this exhibit?

11 A. If they're not in that Exhibit A, the answer is
12 no.

13 MS. NAGLE: Okay. I have no further
14 questions for you, Mr. Quick. Thank you. I think one
15 of my colleagues has some clean-up questions, but
16 appreciate your time today. Thank you.

17 THE WITNESS: All right. Thank you.

18 MS. ISIDRO: I have just a few questions
19 briefly.

20 MR. DAVIS: Are you going to retread any
21 ground or -- I don't think our protocol --

22 MS. ISIDRO: It's just -- just some
23 follow-up based on the question today.

24 MR. DAVIS: I don't think our protocol is
25 to have another bite at the apple here.

1 defendants are adulterated?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Okay. Okay. Your -- your report has a number
4 of exemplary sort of what you describe as examples of
5 corporate level CGMP failures, in your words, that you
6 provide as to each of the manufacture defendants; is
7 that right?

8 A. That's right.

9 Q. Okay. How long have you been in the
10 pharmaceutical and -- and general sort of FDA medical
11 device industry, sir?

12 MS. ISIDRO: Objection.

13 THE WITNESS: Over 55 years.

14 Q. (BY MR. DAVIS) Okay. And your -- your
15 observations in this declaration, are they based only on
16 the documents and other materials or are they also based
17 on those 55 years of experience that you have?

18 MS. ISIDRO: Objection, form.

19 THE WITNESS: They are based on my
20 experience in addition to the documents.

21 MR. DAVIS: Thank you. No further
22 questions.

23 Okay. Hearing nothing else, I think we can
24 wrap it up and go off the record.

25 VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. This concludes the

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1 deposition of John Quick. Off the record at 12:08 p.m.

2 (Proceedings concluded at 12:09 p.m.)

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